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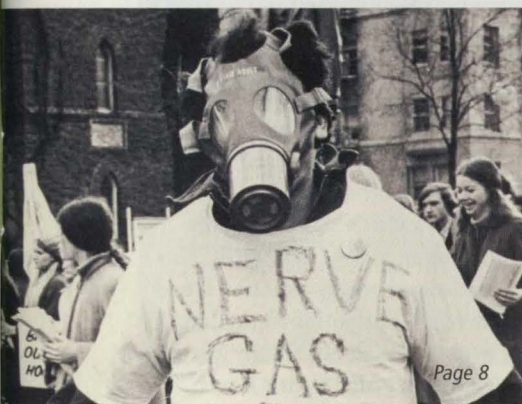
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## FROM THE PRESIDENT



# Taking an alternative route, together

**GET OUT** your transit pass, put on your bike helmet, or prepare to plug in your car—sustainable alternative transportation continues to roll into our region, and Portland State is helping pave the way through new partnerships and research projects.

Over 70 percent of faculty, staff, and students use alternative transportation to get to campus. In fact, our Urban Center Plaza is the busiest transit hub in the city with buses, MAX trains, and the streetcar all coming together. So it should be no surprise that PSU is a sought-after partner.

Portlanders are fanatic about bicycling, and so are many of our professors. Faculty from our Initiative for Bicycle and Pedestrian Innovation are measuring bicycle behavior, evaluating Portland's bike lanes, and analyzing the local Safe Routes to School Program. Last year, Portland's first bike lane sited between the curb and parked cars opened on Southwest Broadway in the heart of campus. PSU researchers are helping the city evaluate its effectiveness.

But the news is not all about bikes. Did you know that the largest introduction of electric vehicles and charging stations in U.S. history is coming to Oregon this December? Nissan and engineering firm ECOtality chose Oregon, with Portland General Electric as lead, to be one of five test markets. Portland State is helping PGE study consumer response, policy development, and other issues affecting the hundreds of charging stations it's building for the new Nissan Leaf electric cars. And this

June, PSU will receive 10 new Prius plug-in hybrid vehicles from Toyota to help in evaluating the lithium-ion battery-equipped car. We also expect to be a research partner when Mitsubishi Motors rolls out its electric vehicle. That's three major car companies all reaching out to PSU to help them push the adoption curve on electric vehicles.

Even the federal government has recognized PSU's importance for the future of alternative transportation. The Oregon Transportation Research and Education Consortium, better known as OTREC, is a federally funded national cooperative based in our Center for Transportation Studies. Working with OTREC, our faculty are forecasting Oregon's rural transit needs, studying route and driver issues for TriMet, and exploring automated methods for truck identification, to mention just a few projects.

More and more, PSU is looking to partnerships to identify what is needed and what we can provide. For transportation that need is finding modes and systems that are economically sound and environmentally efficient in promoting quality of life.

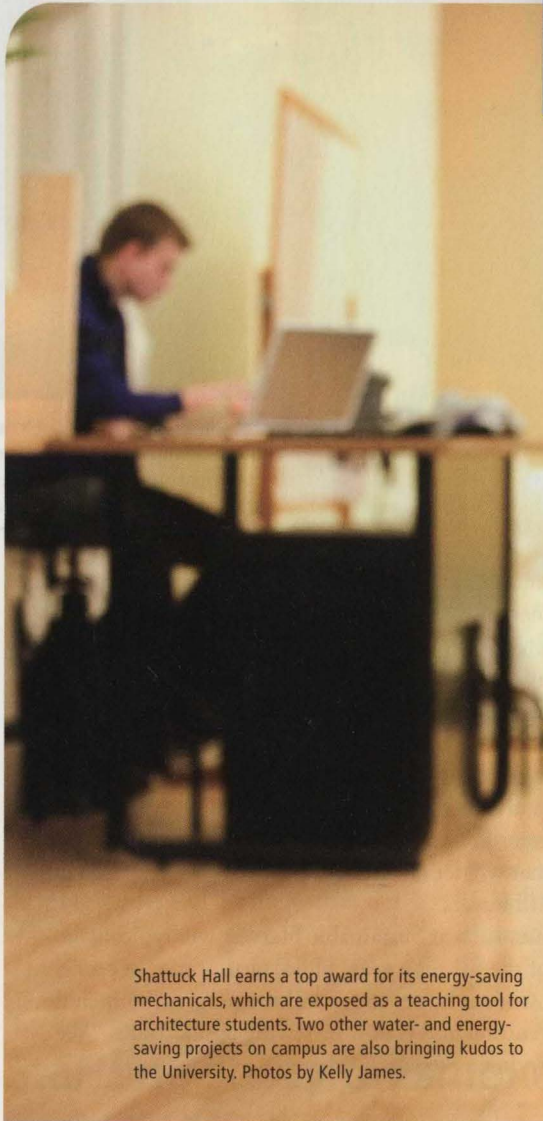
Whether traveling by bicycle, electric car, or mass transit, PSU is leading the way through partnerships to a more sustainable future. Hang on—it's going to be a great ride!

*Wim Wiewel*

Wim Wiewel  
PRESIDENT, PORTLAND STATE UNIVERSITY



## Park Blocks



Shattuck Hall earns a top award for its energy-saving mechanicals, which are exposed as a teaching tool for architecture students. Two other water- and energy-saving projects on campus are also bringing kudos to the University. Photos by Kelly James.



## Energy savings pay off

**MORE FRESH AIR** and less water and energy use in campus buildings not only provide a teaching tool for students, it's earned the University more than \$1 million.

In December, the University was awarded a \$1 million grant to drill geothermal wells and purchase a 1,000-ton heat pump for the heating and cooling of 13 campus buildings. It was one of 18 renewable energy projects that received funding by the state in December through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, also known as the Stimulus Act.

In January, President Wim Wiewel accepted a \$313,114 incentive check from Energy Trust of Oregon for energy-efficiency improvements to the Fourth Avenue Building on Southwest Fourth and Harrison. Improvements to the building's heating and cooling system are saving an estimated

1.4 million kilowatt hours or \$126,000 in annual energy

costs. Purchased by the University in 1997, the Fourth Avenue Building houses engineering departments and classrooms as well as PSU Information Technologies offices.

Also in January, Portland State and PAE Consulting Engineers won Project of the Year, the American Council of Engineering Companies of Oregon's top award, for last year's remodel of Shattuck Hall. Judges were most impressed with the energy-saving electrical and mechanical upgrades to the former grade school, built in 1914, and the exposure of those systems as a "teaching tool for the architects of the future."





## Helping to right social wrongs

**CERVICAL CANCER** kills an estimated 300,000 women worldwide each year. Many of these deaths could be prevented with

early diagnosis. Portland-based company Preciva understands the numbers and has developed a simple, inexpensive test for the disease that may be used on women in areas of the world where health services are limited.

PSU's new Social Innovation Incubator (SII) is helping entrepreneurs such as Preciva CEO Craig Miller, launch business solutions that address some of the world's most pressing environmental, social, and economic challenges.

"Entrepreneurial activity creates jobs and economic growth," says incubator director Cindy Cooper. "The objective of social entrepreneurship is to right a social wrong, something that isn't addressed by normal market activity."

The SII taps into the intellectual assets of Portland State staff, faculty, and student consulting teams to provide business

planning advice, while introducing entrepreneurs to investors, accountants, and lawyers.

Sustainable Harvest, a Portland coffee importer, is also a client of the SII. It wants to develop "intrapreneurial" projects—initiatives within its existing business. With the incubator's help, the company is starting a roasting business and training center in Oaxaca, Mexico, and a pilot program in Tanzania that will let farmers use the Web to track sales and connect with buyers.

Companies such as Sustainable Harvest will typically be members of the SII for a year, while startups may get longer-term help. Cooper hopes to expand the program to include about 20 ventures and is now reviewing applications. "We believe in trying novel ideas," she says.



The University's new Social Innovation Incubator is helping Portland coffee importer, Sustainable Harvest, start a roasting business and training center for farmers in Mexico. Photo ©Sustainable Harvest.

## Student saves Intel millions

**INTEL IS FABRICATING** microprocessors using an environmentally friendly method that is saving the company tens of millions of dollars, thanks to June graduate Nabil Mistkawi.

Mistkawi, a process engineer at Intel's Hillsboro facility, will receive a doctorate in chemistry at the June 13 commencement. His one-of-a-kind chemical formulation for Intel was the basis for his dissertation.

Microprocessors, the "brains" of personal computers and other devices, are often made from a dozen layers of several different materials. To make the incredibly tiny chips, some materials must be partially, yet uniformly, removed. This used to be done with expensive and highly toxic solvents, but about six years ago a senior Intel engineer asked Mistkawi to look

for a better way. Three days later, Mistkawi demonstrated the concept that would become his Ph.D. dissertation topic, a green "wet etching" process that only dissolves certain materials without damaging other chip materials.

The process takes just two minutes, and the etching solution is 98 percent water, with less fluoride than toothpaste. Intel implemented the method in 2006, scaled up in 2007, and it is now part of the standard manufacturing process for its chips.

"I like to have students work on projects that actually amount to something tangible," says Shankar Ranavare, Mistkawi's PSU faculty adviser. "It's one thing to make it work in a test tube and beaker. It's quite another to do so at 8,000 gallons each week."



## Growing small businesses worldwide

KRISTI YUTHAS may be a leader in microfinance analysis, however her work is anything but small.

Microfinance is the lending of small sums of money to low-income clients. For Third World entrepreneurs—often women who are the sole support for their families—this means loans to support such enterprises as a farm in Peru, a cloth weaving business in Guatemala, or the selling of homemade tortillas in Nicaragua.

The microfinance industry has grown by over 1,300 percent in the past 10 years and now provides funds to over 150 million people in developing countries. The problem, according to Yuthas, assistant professor of Business Administration, is that microfinance lenders have become too concerned with their own bottom line and do not provide the training necessary for clients to grow their businesses and lift themselves out of poverty.

“There’s a lot of money going out, but not a large amount of impact,” says Yuthas. “Over time the focus has shifted so much to lending institutions making money that they forgot small business owners weren’t being served.”

The professor’s work is centered on creating a solution. She has partnered with Opportunity International, a microfinance institution, to develop a training program for its loan recipients—initially in Columbia and then in developing countries around the world. Microentrepreneurs will receive the basics of small business: how to budget, control costs, manage risk, and identify opportunities.

Eventually the training will be made available to elementary school children in countries where students often do not attend school beyond sixth grade. “That makes entrepreneurship an important life skill that needs to be integrated into education at a young age,” says Yuthas.



Business professor Kristi Yuthas believes the \$10 billion worldwide microfinance industry is not lifting people out of poverty. Photo by Kelly James.

## Startling study on smokeless tobacco

SOME BRAND-NAME smokeless tobaccos are seven times more minty than candy, making them appealing to adolescents while also posing a health risk for some users. These are the findings of Portland State professor Jim Pankow, whose study was published in *Food and Chemical Toxicology*, a leading scholarly journal.



Professor Jim Pankow found that some chewing tobaccos have more candy-like flavoring than candy.

Pankow, a professor of chemistry and civil engineering, began his research after hearing concerns from public health professionals that adding flavorings to smokeless tobacco products makes them more “candy like” and thus more appealing to youth.

“I decided,” says Pankow, “that someone should make some direct comparisons between the levels of such flavorant compounds in major smokeless tobacco products and popular brand-name candy products. Moreover, the amount of wintergreen flavorant (methyl salicylate) could by itself pose serious health risks to some consumers.”

Pankow’s and others’ suspicions may be confirmed in a 2009 survey sponsored by the National Institute on Drug Abuse. The survey found smokeless

products gaining popularity with 10th- and 12th-graders. In addition, the levels of wintergreen flavoring in numerous brands of smokeless tobacco exceed the maximum acceptable daily intake established by the United Nations Food and Agriculture Association and the World Health Organization.

Oregon Sen. Ron Wyden recalls attending a committee hearing in the 1990s where he asked CEOs of the major tobacco companies if they believed nicotine was addictive. “Before Congress and the American people they denied the addictiveness of their product. Professor Pankow’s report indicates that the tobacco companies are still up to their old tricks of deceiving the public by using flavorings in smokeless tobacco to appeal to underage users.” ■



# Fanfare



Fantasy writer Deborah J. Ross MS '71 got her start from well-known fantasy author, the late Marion Zimmer Bradley.

## True to Marion Zimmer Bradley's vision

WHEN DEBORAH J. ROSS MS '73 wrote a fan letter to renowned fantasy author Marion Zimmer Bradley in 1980, she had no idea that it would lead, 30 years later, to her taking the reins of Bradley's popular *Darkover* series. *Hastur Lord*, the latest novel in the series that takes its name from Bradley's fictional ice-covered planet, was released in January.

It was Bradley who provided Ross (Wheeler in those days) with her first professional sale in 1984, including Ross's story, "Imperatrix" that appeared in the first volume of Bradley's long-running anthology, *Sword & Sorceress*, created to remedy the lack of female protagonists in fantasy literature. The two writers became friends, and before Bradley's death in 1999, Ross was tapped to continue the *Darkover* series. Since then, Ross has penned five *Darkover* novels, working closely with the Marion Zimmer Bradley Literary Works Trust, and she has notes for two more. "I try to create story lines that are true to Marion's vision of *Darkover* and the themes that were meaningful to her," Ross says.

Besides carrying on Bradley's fictional world, Ross is busy on various projects of her own creation. She has branched out into

editing with the *Lace and Blade* anthology series of "elegant romantic fantasy," releasing a new volume each Valentine's Day. She is also working on an original fantasy trilogy, *The Seven-Petaled Shield*. "It's a really big story," she says, "with echoes of Romans and Scythian horsemen and ancient Judea."

For budding fantasy and science fiction writers, Ross advises knowing the genre, attending conventions, and joining the Science Fiction and Fantasy Writers of America once published. The most important thing, though, she says, is "write the best damned story you can."

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# Inside the Oregon State Hospital

Grave problems at the Oregon State Hospital have led to negative headlines and serious allegations for the past five years. What is it really like inside the state-run institution, which treats people deemed criminally insane as well as those who are civilly committed?

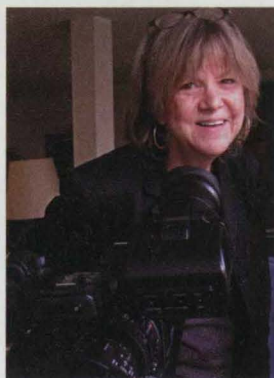
Psychology professor Jan Haaken's new documentary, *Guilty Except for Insanity*, tells a disturbing tale of political neglect and public paranoia concerning the mentally ill, but also one of inspiring efforts to humanize the mental health system.

The documentary follows five people who enlisted the insanity defense after being charged with serious crimes; however, Haaken and her students interviewed more than 90 patients and staff over the two years of production.

Getting access to the hospital's patients and staff was not easy. Haaken attended public hearings of the Psychiatric Security Review Board, where she says she had "about 40 seconds to approach patients" as they came before the board with a lawyer. About half were interested.

At first, Haaken was limited to visiting hours, before slowly gaining access to the locked wards. Staff and patients at the hospital saw work samples and gave feedback at various junctures in the process of making the documentary.

A benefit screening of *Guilty Except for Insanity* is planned at the Northwest Film Center and Portland Art Museum's Whitsell Auditorium June 27 at 7 p.m. Cost is \$8. Proceeds will support future documentary projects at PSU on community mental health issues. ■



Psychology professor Jan Haaken directs a new documentary, *Guilty Except for Insanity*.



**INSTRUCTOR AND LOCAL ARCHITECT** Aaron Whelton created the winning design for a new Portland Fallen Firefighters Memorial. He entered a contest held among PSU's adjunct architecture faculty to create the memorial, which will be built at the east end of the Hawthorne Bridge. The lanterns in Whelton's design symbolize the 36 firefighters who have perished in the line of duty.

## New Works

### SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS IN LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL AND TRANSGENDER CLIENTS: ASSESSMENT AND TREATMENT

By Sandra C. Anderson (social work emeritus faculty), Columbia University Press, 2009

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By Dan Clore '95 and artwork by Allen Koszowski, reissued by Henrik Sandbek Harsen Productions, 2010

### SUDOKU-ZILLA: 100X100 SUDOKU PUZZLE

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### THEN CAME THE EVENING

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By Lawrence P. Growney '87, MS '95, Vantage Press, 2009

### THE IMAGINED FIELD

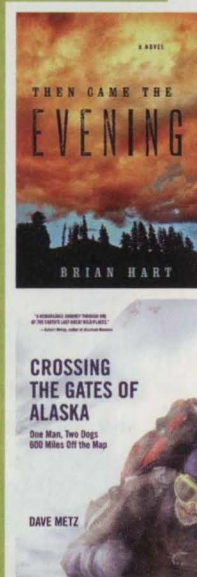
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Fanfare

# 1970 Memories of confrontation

Alumni remember 30 seconds of violence at the end of a week of campus protests.

WRITTEN BY MELISSA STEINEGER

**SMITH CENTER COMMANDEERED** by protestors. Demonstrators barricading the Park Blocks. Outraged citizens demanding that PSU “shut those kids up.” An unexpected eruption of violence.

May 1970 was a tumultuous time for Portland State. For many, emotions still run high about the week that students clashed with each other and police.

The events began as part of a great national spasm of emotion following the Ohio National Guard’s shooting of students at Kent State University.

At Portland State, classes were cancelled for two days and protestors barricaded the Park Blocks (still open to car traffic at the time) for speeches and demonstrations. After a week of “rap” sessions with Portland State administrators, the protestors agreed to dismantle the barricades.

For several hours, dissenters helped city crews remove the barriers. But when police demanded that a large first aid tent also be removed, the protestors—claiming the tent had a valid city permit—refused.

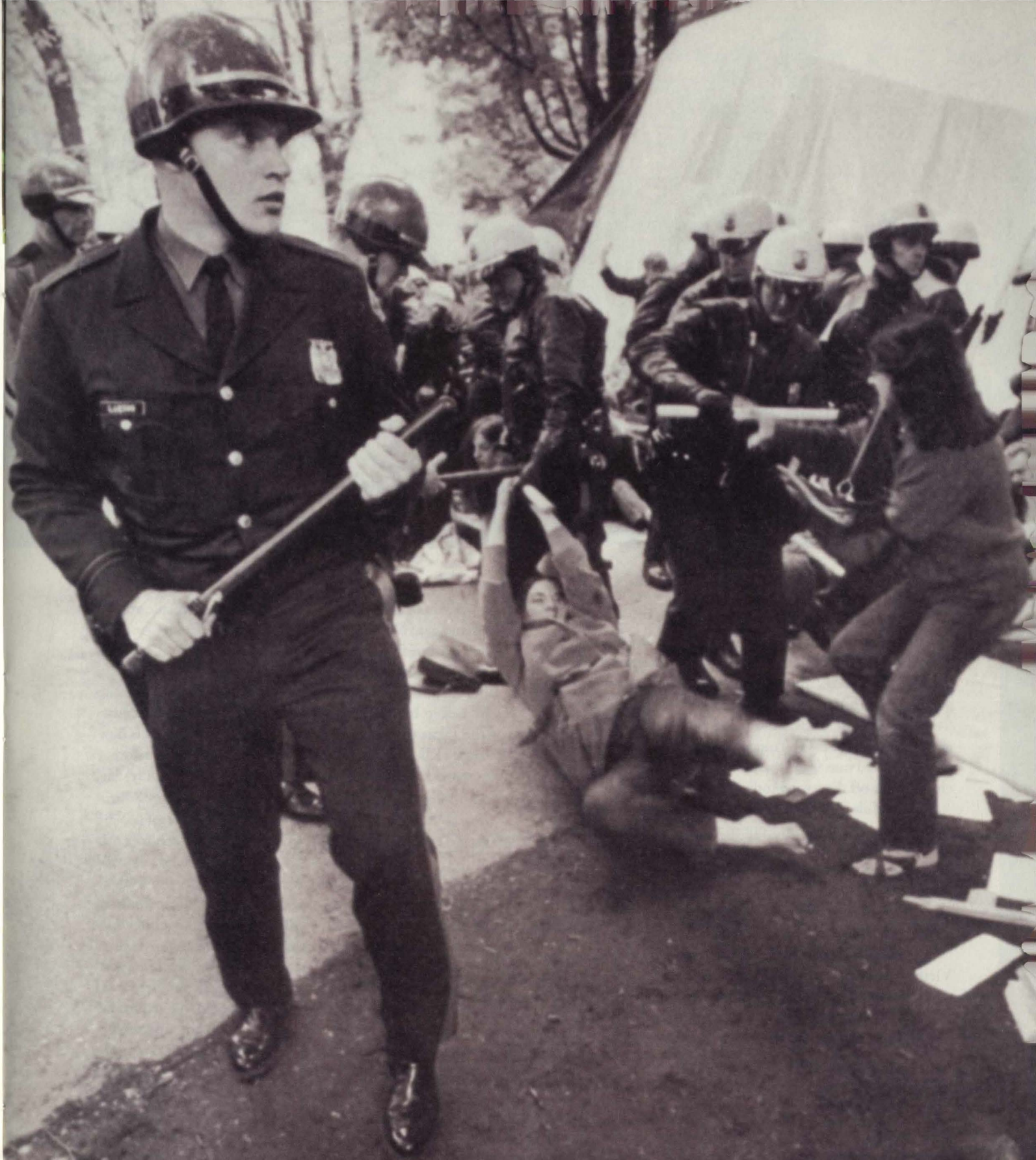
Tensions accelerated and eventually police in wedge formation marched through the seated protestors using batons. Some 31 protestors were taken to area hospitals; all but four were treated and released. Four police officers were also treated for minor injuries.

The May 11, 1970, melee was captured by news media cameras. The next day between 3,000 and 5,000 Portland residents marched from Portland State to City Hall to express their outrage at the use of force, says Dory Hylton, who wrote her dissertation on the events. However, letters to the editor in the Portland papers ran 10 to one in favor of the police actions.

That day’s violence was a defining moment for those caught up in the protest and for many who watched from the windows of Smith Center. Read on for a few memories and observations.







An emotional, loud, but mostly peaceful week of protests on the Portland State campus ended in the injury of 31 protesters and four police officers on May 11, 1970. Photos from the 1970 Viking yearbook.





## The mood gets ugly

Doug Weiskopf '71, one of about 25 students involved in protests throughout the year, recalls that at first, as students helped dismantle the makeshift fortifications, "there was a spirit of good will and humor. We were even joking with the cops."

But when police decided to remove the tent, Weiskopf says, everything changed. "The mood of the crowd got very sullen. A guy shouted out 'f\_ \_ you.' It was kind of like an electric charge went off. Everyone took hard lines."

Weiskopf along with what he estimates as several hundred students sat down in front of the tent and linked arms. The Tactical Operations Platoon—a newly formed police unit assigned to riot control—marched up in wedge formation. "We thought that they would arrest us," says Weiskopf. Instead, "they came right over the top of us and just started playing the xylophone on our heads."

Still, Weiskopf believes the protests helped wind down the Vietnam War. President Richard Nixon "lost the country when he lost Kent State and PSU—these vehement protests in Middle America," says Weiskopf. "That's why Portland State was important. They couldn't write us off as 'elite' schools like Berkeley and Columbia. We were middle America."

## Part of the silent majority

Looking back, the late 1960s and early 1970s seem to have been uniformly cataclysmic, but Dave Shafer '72, MBA '78 offers a different view. "PSU as a whole," he says, "was pretty apathetic."

"I don't think anybody was all that in favor of the war, but most students were in college to avoid the draft and not to

get involved (in anti-war activities). You wanted to take your classes and get your degree."

"I was not in favor of the war or the administration," says Shafer, "but I was not charged up enough to get involved."

The day of the incident, Shafer, who worked midnight to 8 a.m. before attending classes, was on his way home when he saw the Tactical Operations Platoon lined up near what is now Shattuck Hall. But eager to catch a few hours of sleep before his next work shift, Shafer continued on his way and only learned about the incident later.

## Putting it all together

Dory Hylton was a student at Columbia University in New York in 1970. However, she researched the PSU protest for her dissertation completed in 1993 at University of Oregon.

Hylton interviewed some 130 people more than a dozen years after the events. Yet for many, the day was still vividly fresh.

"Wherever I went," says Hylton, "if I brought up the subject, people would tell me they remembered—it was in the cultural memory." For many, the police action and its consequences—or lack of—was the most searing recollection.

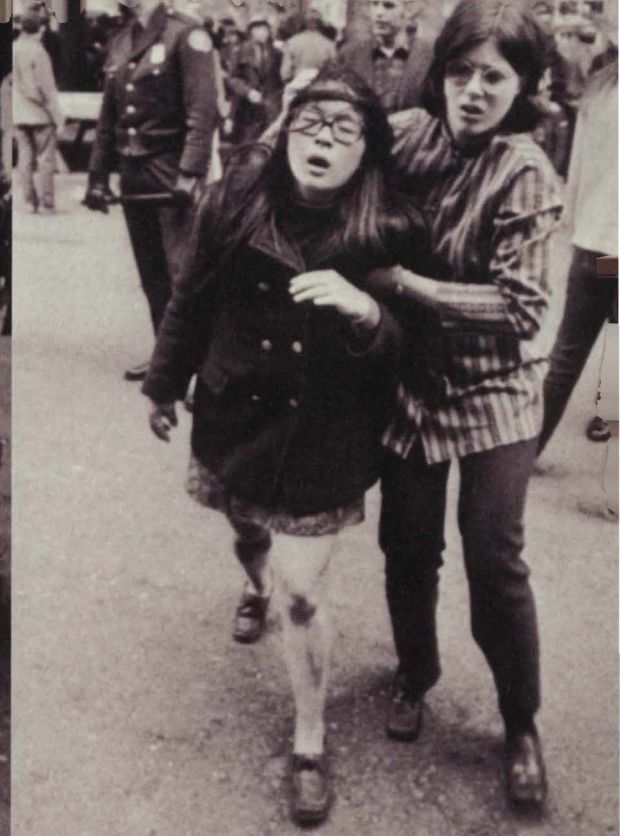
In 1970, the Portland State community, like the nation as a whole, was conflicted about the Vietnam war. Hylton's interviews found that many who disagreed with the student strike were sympathetic to the issues—opposition to the war and anguish over the Kent State killings.

But seeing police strike unarmed protestors shocked many of the onlookers. Even students opposed to the strike, who had clashed with protestors as recently as that morning, says





Protests against the Vietnam War and the killing of Kent State students led PSU students to march, barricade the Park Blocks, and put up a first aid tent, which was forcefully removed by the Portland Police.



Hylton, “came together against the violence at the tent. It was the single most unifying force of the protests.”

Later, a Multnomah County grand jury found evidence to support allegations of excessive use of force against the demonstrators by police, Hylton found. No police officers were charged, however, and in the end, the case was closed.

### Choosing to resist

Ruth Moreland '74 was a 17-year-old PSU freshman in May 1970. Her mother, Margaret Moreland '70, MBA '74, was also a student on campus, as was her brother Everett '73, a Vietnam veteran.

Until the day of the confrontation, Moreland had stayed on the sidelines. But as the police riot control platoon advanced with batons, she grew increasingly distraught.

“I was incredulous that our mayor and our police officers thought that it was so important to physically remove these students from one small area of the Park Blocks,” says Moreland, “that they were going to assault the students.”

While her mother left the scene to go to class, Moreland slipped through the crowd, linked arms with other protestors and was struck when police advanced. She still bears a lump from the impact of a baton on her head. And she's still proud of her actions.

“I had grown up watching TV news where the police in the South would assault peaceful protesters for civil rights; Martin Luther King was a hero in our house,” Moreland says. “I couldn't just watch or run away. I thought that would somehow support what the mayor and police were doing.”

### A clash of viewpoints

Tom Webb '71, a Vietnam veteran who was opposed to the war, counts himself among the students and faculty who wanted to talk rather than strike. After the Park Blocks violence, Webb joined a cadre of students and administrators who met with community groups to discuss the events. Emotions still ran high, and Webb himself was caught up in the currents at a community meeting in Gresham.

“One of the parents of a girl who was beaten by the police stated that she deserved the beating, and they should have hit her more to try to beat some sense into her,” Webb says of that meeting. “I was outraged and went after this guy. I screamed in his face as to why he could wish that on his own daughter, and how stupid he was.”

Others calmed Webb, and the meeting continued. “We explained that the students have every right to strike and that they had permission from the mayor's office to have the first aid tent. The information sessions did a lot of good, and I think saved the reputation of Portland State, because (before the sessions) everyone in the community thought that Portland State was a hotbed of radicals.” ■

*Melissa Steineger, a Portland freelance writer, wrote the article “Homecoming” in the winter 2010 Portland State Magazine.*

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# Student activism *lives on*

Compelling issues still bring students into the streets.

WRITTEN BY JEFF KUECHLE


THE MASSIVE demonstrations that gripped the United States 40 years ago helped define that point in American history as one of passionate rebellion against the status quo.

For many, it felt as if the whole world was unraveling: the frustration and fear over the expanding and seemingly unending Vietnam War and the compulsory draft; the heartbreak of the Kennedy and King assassinations; and finally the panic and rage exploding from Kent State University on May 4, 1970, when National Guard troops opened fire on unarmed war

protestors, killing four students and wounding nine others. The Kent State massacre made it seem as if the government was willing to shoot its own people rather than tolerate dissent, and the protests that followed closed more than 450 campuses nationwide—including Portland State.

Nothing compares with the number and intensity of student protests from the Vietnam era. But student activism—on different issues and in different ways—is a tradition that lives on today.





Just over the past nine months, students have taken to the streets over a variety of issues:

- On March 20, PSU students organized a march against the Iraq and Afghanistan wars. This anniversary date of the start of the Iraq War has become an annual day of protest.
- In the same month, PSU students protested tuition hikes in a National Day of Action. The rise of tuition and fees has become a national rallying point, even spawning violent protest in California.
- In February, PSU students took part in a march from downtown to the PSU campus calling for justice in the January 29 shooting of Aaron Campbell by the Portland police. Young, angry protesters took to the streets again on March 30 over this shooting and a police-involved shooting of a homeless man a week earlier. This demonstration resulted in property damage and arrests.
- In December and January, students around the state conducted a major voter registration drive and campaign for the passage of Oregon Measures 66 and 67, which sought to raise tax revenue for—among other things—higher education.
- In October, PSU students took part in the International Day of Climate Action rally held in downtown Portland.

This recent student activism shows that there is no single overwhelming rallying point today as there was in 1970. Instead, students are making their voices heard on a broad array of issues—both local and global. Comparing the two eras is difficult. Yes, we have wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, but American casualties are 20 percent of what we experienced in Vietnam, and there is no military draft as there was in 1970.

JOE URIS '67, an adjunct associate professor of sociology at PSU and co-host of a KBOO radio talk show, took part in the May 1970 demonstration at PSU. Uris has a firsthand view of the differences between student activism today and campus unrest of the Vietnam era.

At the time of the 1970 PSU protest, “Young people believed social change was possible through nonviolence, that the U.S. was improvable and could be restored to a just and good nation,” Uris says. “Today, I think people are more disillusioned about the possibility of social change—it’s harder for students to believe in that now.”

But Mary Ray Moller '02, a former PSU student body president, respectfully disagrees with Uris’s perspective. “I do think students today look to the passion of the ’60s and ’70s as something to aspire to, but I don’t think that sense of optimism has been lost,” says Moller, who is now director of Government Affairs at PSU.

“I do think we’re more global in our perspective now—everyone is so much more connected because of technology,” Moller continues. “But students still do peaceful protests and demonstrations, and they still volunteer for causes they believe in. I know from my own experience that demonstrations can bring about positive change.”

AN OBVIOUS difference between Vietnam-era student activists and their modern counterparts is technology—instant access to an unfiltered flow of information via the Internet and social media. Not only has this broadened the list of issues students are aware of, it also allows a huge diversity of opinions.

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inspires some of the most  
thought-provoking protests of all.

“Different events or causes bring out different people,” says Ben Cushing, PSU adjunct sociology instructor, “but an underlying disillusionment with many of our core institutions is the common denominator I am seeing.

“On the right, people are increasingly drawn toward the far-right populism of the Tea Party movement and anti-immigrant organizations,” says Cushing. “On the left, and this is where I see most student organizing at PSU, people are drawn toward organizations that critique the basic logic of capitalism and the lack of democratic participation in both our government institutions and our economy.”

This latter ideology, says Cushing, brings to mind such PSU student groups as Students for Unity, International Socialist Organizations, and Students United for Palestinian Equal Rights.

One thing that both veterans of the protest movement of the ’60s and students today can agree on is the fact that thoughtful, well-organized demonstrations haven’t lost the power to persuade. And just like 40 years ago, the phenomenon of war still inspires some of the most thought-provoking protests of all. In March 2008, Moller was walking through the Park Blocks when she suddenly stopped in her tracks.

“Flags representing Iraq War casualties were everywhere,” she says. “More than 100,000 small white and red flags carpeted the grass for blocks. It was incredibly moving. It really got people to stop and think. That’s what effective protests do—they get people to stop and think.” ■


Jeff Kuechle, a freelance writer, wrote “Maestro of the Stage” in the winter 2010 Portland State Magazine.



# Working out with a view

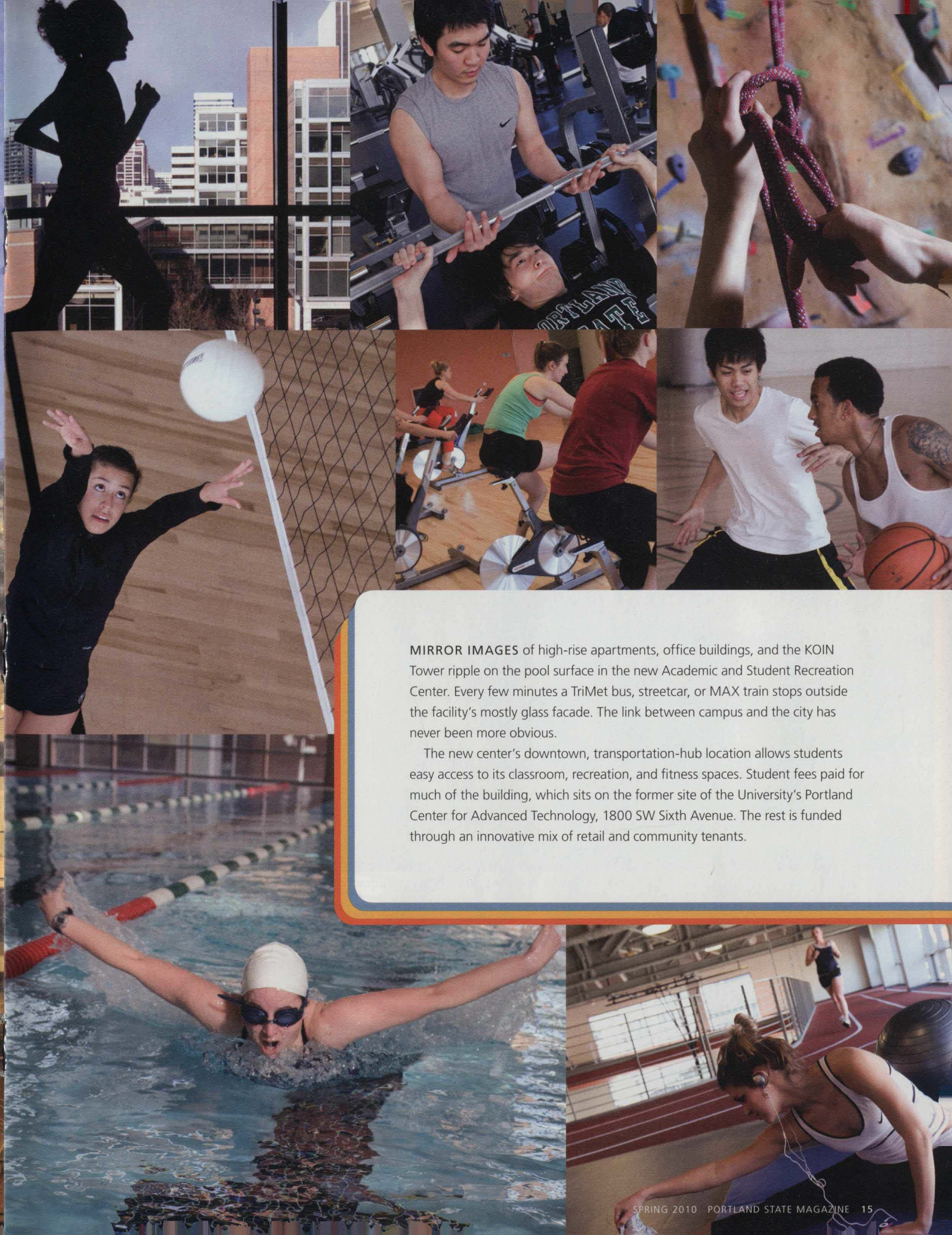
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New Academic and Student  
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The new center, completed in January, also houses the School of Social Work on the sixth floor and the Oregon University System Chancellor's Office a floor below. The City of Portland archives has an office on the fifth floor as well as storage in the basement. Ground level retail space is leased to Pita Pit, Green Line Market, and Kaplan test prep.





MIRROR IMAGES of high-rise apartments, office buildings, and the KOIN Tower ripple on the pool surface in the new Academic and Student Recreation Center. Every few minutes a TriMet bus, streetcar, or MAX train stops outside the facility's mostly glass facade. The link between campus and the city has never been more obvious.

The new center's downtown, transportation-hub location allows students easy access to its classroom, recreation, and fitness spaces. Student fees paid for much of the building, which sits on the former site of the University's Portland Center for Advanced Technology, 1800 SW Sixth Avenue. The rest is funded through an innovative mix of retail and community tenants.





For a monthly fee, Portland State alumni may take advantage of the pool, climbing wall, elevated running track, gym and weight rooms.







# SHOWING PORTLAND TO THE WORLD

First Stop Portland connects global leaders to our city's innovators in sustainability.

WRITTEN BY MEG DESCAMP

*"Where's the air-conditioned limousine?"*

Nancy Hales laughs as she recalls being asked this question. The questioner, part of a delegation from a city that will remain unnamed, wanted to know why Hales was handing out transit passes.

"We give them the most authentic Portland experience we can," says Hales, head of PSU's First Stop Portland program. When a group arrives to study urban transportation, green building practices, good urban form, or any of the other layers of sustainable practices for which Portland is known, riding mass transit is a given.

First Stop Portland, housed in the College of Urban and Public Affairs, was launched in April 2009. Funded primarily by the private sector, the program, says Hales, is an answer to a problem. It provides logistical and planning support for visitors who want to learn about Portland's livability success stories from the people creating those stories.

"Too many delegations had a fractured experience rather than gaining comprehensive information on their trips here. For instance, they might just meet with developers, or with transit officials, or with green building leaders, depending on who brought them to town," says Hales. "First Stop Portland is here to pool resources, facilitate information exchange, and give visiting groups access to appropriate, high-level people."

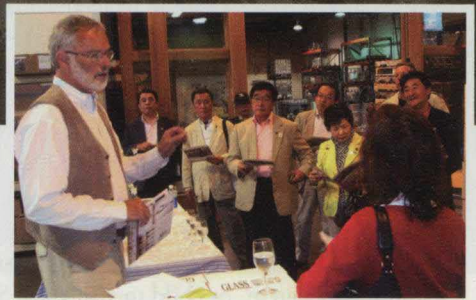
AT THE HEART of First Stop Portland are mobile workshops and study tours. Many of the tours are led by PSU graduate and undergraduate students who volunteer their time and effort to advance the ideas and practices for which Portland is so well-known. "The students are really well informed

about official policy, and they contribute an authentic voice," says Hales.

During 2009, First Stop Portland hosted 32 delegations—nearly 600 people—from around the world. City council and staff from Nagoya, Japan, investigated Portland's land use programs, green initiatives, and LEED building codes. Visitors from Cincinnati, Ohio, spoke with business strategists about the complexities of developing marketing plans for their city's streetcar transit project. Delegations have come from Berlin, from Amsterdam, from the British Parliament. A group from King Faisal University in Saudi Arabia had a preview Green-line tour of the city's newest MAX light rail line.

Recently, Jordan Schwartz led a delegation from the World Bank's Sustainable Development Network. "Where do you go," asked Schwartz, "for in-field training in the applied economics of sustainable development? You look for a city with a leading position in long-term land use planning, integrated mass transit systems, the creation of markets for environmental credits, evolving standards for green construction. In short, you go to Portland. It's fantastic to learn from those who have led the charge and designed the incentive.

"When we weren't walking," said Schwartz, "we used bus and public transit exclusively in and around town." In other words, no air-conditioned limousines for the World Bank group. ■



Steve McCarthy, owner of Clear Creek Distillery, explains the value-added product development of Oregon pears used to make brandy to a delegation from Sapporo, Japan.

*Meg DesCamp is a freelance writer based in Portland.*



## A love of teaching; a life of purpose

LINDA HUMMER came from five generations of poverty and started college a handful of times before actually completing a single term.

But once the learning started, Hummer could not get enough and sprinted through programs in women's and black studies, graduating in 1998. By 2001 she'd added a master's degree in education, which led to her teaching women's studies at Portland State.

Hummer loved teaching and it showed. She became everyone's favorite instructor as she taught passionately about race, class, gender, and social justice. Students flocked around her after class, following her down the hall—eager to share one more thought, ask another question, get permission to invite a roommate, parent, or child to visit class. She created several new courses for the Women's Studies program, including

Gender, Class and Culture and Women, Creativity and Healing. Hummer inspired and mentored—she changed lives. In 2000, when Hummer was just 32 years old, she was diagnosed with breast cancer. She got the call from her doctor on the day she received her master's degree.

She didn't let this changed reality slow her down. In fact, cancer seemed to clarify the meaning of life for Hummer. It came down to two things—love and purpose. Her life was filled with one and dedicated to the other. Over the next decade she inspired others through her passionate teaching and public speaking, while undergoing nearly 100 chemotherapy treatments.

Even though Hummer reluctantly retired from full-time teaching in 2006 in order to focus on her treatment, she continued to share her learning and love of life with others by speaking at many local colleges and universities. She gave her final talk on September 24, 2009, just two weeks before she died.

As always, when she finished speaking the students swarmed around her. ■



Linda Hummer '98, MS '01, a much-loved instructor of women's studies, passed away from cancer in September.

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**TO HONOR HER LEGACY,** Linda Hummer's friends, colleagues, and former students have established a scholarship in her name through the PSU Foundation. The Linda C. Hummer Scholarship will help students majoring in women's studies at Portland State cover the costs of books and other course materials. To contribute to this or other PSU scholarships, go to [www.foundation.pdx.edu/publicgift](http://www.foundation.pdx.edu/publicgift), or call 503-725-4911.

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## Athletics



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### First to impress

**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL** experienced a lot of firsts during the past three seasons under head coach Sherri Murrell.

There was the school's first-ever 20-win season at the Division I level after Murrell took over in 2007-08. Then came a trip to the women's National Invitation Tournament last season, marking the first postseason appearance of women's basketball as a Division I program. And last and definitely not least, Murrell led the team to its first NCAA Division I Tournament in March after the Vikings won its first Big Sky Conference Tournament title.

"Each goal that we set out along the way we have accomplished," says Murrell. "When I set foot on campus I let them know that we were on a championship journey. I told them that we needed to

change the culture around the program and that everything we do, from lifting weights to practice, is part of that journey and will lead them toward a championship."

At the NCAA Tournament, Portland State gave the nation's ninth-ranked Texas A&M all they could handle for 20 minutes and held a 28-27 lead right before halftime. Eventually, though, the Aggies wore down the Vikings with their size and speed to move on to the second round.

The fact that the Vikings hung with Texas A&M for a half showed that they belonged on the nation's top stage and will be fuel for next season's bid for tournament champion.

### Football returns to Hillsboro Stadium

**UNDER NEW HEAD COACH** Nigel Burton, Viking football returns to Hillsboro Stadium for its 2010 Big Sky Conference season as PGE Park undergoes renovation.

The stadium was good to the team back in 2000, when the Vikings earned a top 10 ranking in the NCAA Division I Football Championship and reached the NCAA playoffs. Hillsboro Stadium is just off Highway 26 at the Cornelius Pass exit. ■

#### HOME GAMES AT HILLSBORO STADIUM

**Oct. 2** Idaho State, 6:05 p.m.

**Oct. 16** Montana, 6:05 p.m.

**Oct. 30** Eastern Washington, 6:05 p.m.

**Nov. 13** Northern Colorado, 1:05 p.m.



# Alumni

## Affording higher education

PSU STUDENTS graduating this spring paid 30 percent more in tuition costs than they did as freshmen in 2005. Could they have anticipated and planned for that level of increase when they began their quest for a college degree? It was not too long ago when college costs were not only reasonable, but also predictable.

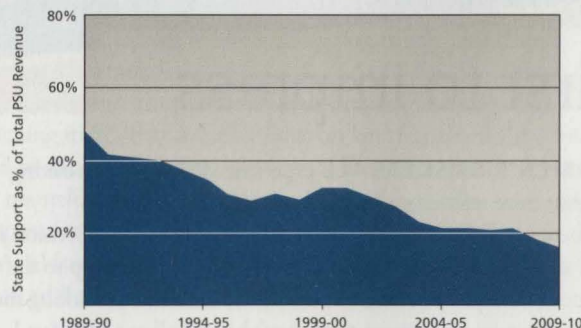
So, why the drastic increase in tuition? As the campus expands to meet the needs of a growing student body and the University strives to continue offering outstanding programs, courses, instruction, and services for our students, it does not appear that the state has the resources to make the necessary changes and provide for continued growth. It may be time to rethink the way we do business.

There are many models for governing and funding public universities. Can tuition costs be based on ability to pay or on earning potential? Is it fair if one college student receives an education at a greater cost than another? Should a PSU student in the field of social work pay the same for a degree as a student who graduates in engineering?

Outstanding universities must provide their students with opportunities to receive the best possible education. Today's

college students must be willing to pay for the outstanding education they receive. But, we as alumni, need to be cognizant of the difficulties many students are facing as they strive to reach their goals. A college education should be a goal that all can achieve. Write us with your thoughts, opinions, and experiences at [psualum@pdx.edu](mailto:psualum@pdx.edu). —T.J. Newby '90 and Al Fitzpatrick MA '93

State Funding Has Fallen from 48%  
to 16% of PSU's Total Revenue



## Scholarship for children of alumni

THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION is seeking applications for the fall 2010 Jane Wiener Memorial Alumni Scholarship from children of alumni who are interested in community service.



The scholarship provides full, in-state tuition and fees for one, legally dependent child of a PSU alumnus.

Molly Conroy, the program's current and fifth scholar, is majoring in general science with a chemistry

minor, while serving as a student ambassador and a resident assistant. She also finds time to work as a certified nursing assistant in acute care at Oregon Health & Science University. Now a senior, Conroy plans to become a physician's assistant.

Previous scholar, Sarah Whitney-Hayden '03, MEd '04 teaches at Hammond Elementary School in Salem. In 2008, she was honored with a Crystal Apple Award from the Salem-Keizer School District.

For more information, to receive an application, or to make a tax-deductible donation to the scholarship, call 503-725-4948, e-mail [psualum@pdx.edu](mailto:psualum@pdx.edu) or visit [www.alumni.pdx.edu/scholarship](http://www.alumni.pdx.edu/scholarship). Applications are due in the Alumni Office by July 30.



## Nicholas Kristof to keynote PSU Weekend

MORE THAN a two-time Pulitzer Prize-winning columnist for *The New York Times*, Nicholas Kristof is an extraordinary thinker, human rights advocate, and astute chronicler of humanity. He will discuss his latest book, *Half the Sky: Turning Oppression into Opportunity for Women Worldwide*, as keynote speaker for PSU Weekend Friday, October 22, through Sunday, October 24.

Kristof has traveled the major roads and minor byways of China, Africa, India, and South Asia, offering a compassionate glimpse into global health, poverty, and gender in the developing world. In addition, he is the son of retired Portland State professors Jane and Ladis Kristof. Visit [www.pdx.edu/alumni](http://www.pdx.edu/alumni) for more information on PSU Weekend seminars, interactive tours, reunions, and receptions.

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**LEFT:** *New York Times* columnist Nicholas Kristof will be the keynote speaker for PSU Weekend, Oct. 22-24. **MIDDLE:** Pat Squire MPA '95, assistant vice president of PSU Alumni Relations, and Mark Kemball MBA '96, external relations at OHSU School of Medicine, jointly receive the Distinguished Service Award from the Council for Advancement and Support of Education at a February conference in Portland. **RIGHT:** PSU Salutes award recipients for 2010 include (left to right) PSU professor Toeutu Faaleava, Dennis Keenan '72, Antonio D'Auria '02, student Megan Jensen, and Oregon Supreme Court Chief Justice Paul De Muniz '72. Missing from the photo is award-winner Marisa Lino '71. Learn about all of the honorees at [www.alumni.pdx.edu](http://www.alumni.pdx.edu).





On a layover in Accra, Ghana, Delta flight attendant **Antonio D'Auria '02** visited an orphanage and found a new family.



## Fathering hope in Ghana

Antonio D'Auria, who grew up in a loving family of little means, felt compelled to check out an Accra orphan-

age that he had heard was the largest in Ghana. D'Auria's experiences as a political science major at PSU gave him the confidence that one person could make a difference. Upon visiting the orphanage, he was so taken with the children and their obvious needs that on his next visit he brought them a few gifts and supplies. That gesture started a movement.

Taking advantage of a job that allows him to travel inexpensively on his own time, D'Auria regularly delivers supplies and support to 200 children who love him like a father. Wanting to do more than he could by himself, he formed Sky of Love, a nonprofit that shelters and educates orphaned, abused, and neglected children. The organization is now supported by fellow Delta employees, school children, friends of friends, and his neighbors in Brooklyn, New York.

What started as a curiosity has become a passion. "This is not an obligation," D'Auria says. "It's a natural thing to share my blessings to help others improve their lives. And when I show up at the orphanage and the kids come running—there's no price for that."

## 1956-1959

**Charles "Chuck" Clemans '56**, a retired school superintendent, volunteers with Friends of the PSU Graduate School of Education and other groups in Clackamas. His favorite memory of PSC is "graduating from a fully accredited institution!" His son, **Glen Clemans '86**, is an investment adviser with CGC Financial Services in Lake Oswego.

**Richard "Dick" Matcovich '58** is enjoying his retirement by volunteering for the Red Cross and helping his children with remodeling projects. He writes that a favorite memory of PSC was the cafeteria in the basement of Old Main (Lincoln Hall).

## 1960-1969

**Roger Capps '60**, now retired, spent 28 years as an elementary school principal in the North Clackamas School District. Capps' brothers also attended Portland State: the late **Walter '58** and **Douglas '67**, now an executive director of Capitol Planning Commission in Salem. Sister-in-law **Elizabeth Stavney '67** is a Portland middle school teacher.

**Earnest Wayne Atteberry '62** retired as senior vice president and chief investment officer for The Standard Insurance Company in Portland. Atteberry's favorite memories of PSU are the wrestling program, working at US Bank to pay his way through school, and living at the Queen Elizabeth apartments. He and his wife, Betty, live in Seattle.

**Jerry Wilkins '65, MS '71** is a retired elementary school teacher and library media specialist for the North Clackamas School District. Wilkins volunteers for Easter Seals, the Ladies Professional Golf Association, and the Oregon Convention Center Visitor Information Center.

**Carol J. Pierce Colfer '66** is a senior associate and anthropologist at the Center for International Forestry Research in Bogor, Indonesia, and a visiting fellow at Cornell University.

**Gene Phillips '69** is a sculptor and ceramicist whose work was featured in the 10th Anniversary Portland Open Studios Tour. Phillips lives with his wife, **Darrell '69, MBA '78**, in Portland.

**Sue West '69, MA '70** is retired and enjoys volunteering as a board member for Schools for the City, Potluck in the Park, Habitat for Humanity, and Start Making A Reader Today. West also works on political campaigns. She writes that her favorite professors were Jim Hart and Carl Mackgraf.

**Percy Woods '69** is a certified Federal Aviation Administration mechanic who maintains helicopters for the U.S. Army at Ft. Rucker, Alabama.

## 1970-1979

**Dave Emmett '70** is a partner in Wicks Emmett, an accounting firm in Roseburg. Emmett helped found Timber Community Bank in 1979 and has served as president or chair of many organizations in Roseburg.

**Dolores Leon '70** is a retired physician. She volunteers for Outside In, the PSU Foundation, and the PSU Alumni Association. Leon writes that she appreciated "the ability to take classes while my children were attending school." Her son, **Regan '89**, is a vice president and community development manager at US Bank, where her daughter-in-law, **Gina '95**, is a vice president of commercial real estate development.

**Janet Baillie '71** is retired and enjoys volunteering in her community of Angels Camp, California. Baillie's niece,



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**Katherine "Katie" Leonard '02**, earned a doctorate in geology from Columbia University in 2009, and now lives with her husband, Andrew Clifton, in Klosters, Switzerland. Baillie's sister, **Lois Leonard MAT '71**, is a producer and historian with the Oregon Cultural Heritage Commission film project *Finding David Douglas*. Her cousin, **Jacqueline Authier '91**, is a PSU grad as well.

**John Hart '71** is a partner in the Portland law firm of Hoffman Hart and Wagner. *Law and Politics Magazine* named Hart to its 2009 Oregon Super Lawyers Top 50 in Oregon.

**Donald Skei '71, '77** is a chiropractor at the Chehalem Valley Chiropractic clinic in Newberg and a diplomat of the American Board of Chiropractic Orthopedists.

**Scott Anderson '72** is a maxillofacial surgeon at Oregon Health & Science University and a board examiner for the Oregon Dental Specialty Board.

**Gwendolyn Pierce MA '72** is a retired school administrator and now volunteers with the Kiwanis Club. Pierce's favorite PSU professor is also her husband, Joe Pierce.

**Edward Sullivan MA '72** is a partner with the Portland law firm of Garvey Schubert Barer. *Law and Politics Magazine* named Sullivan to its 2009 Oregon Super Lawyers Top 50 in Oregon.

**Stephen Laccinole '74** is founder of Selpco Resources, Inc., a consulting firm for bulk material handling based in Bellevue, Washington.

**Susan Diane Rynerson '74** is executive director for the National Conference of Women's Bar Association and is a family attorney in Lake Oswego.

**Jerry Estenson MBA '75** is a principal at Humanetic Consulting, Inc., a human resources consulting firm in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Estenson is also a professor of organizational behavior at California State University in Northridge.

**Gary Funk MST '75** has been choral activities director at University of Montana in Missoula, Montana, for more than 10 years. Funk conducts three choirs and directs the university's Vienna Experience. Funk is also a highly regarded composer, conductor, and tenor who tours the world.

**Marilyn Smith McDonald '75** has self-published two books, *Little Girl Lost* and *Mother of Eight Survives Population Explosion*. McDonald writes that during her final year at PSU her youngest child, Tina, was at the Helen Gordon Child Development Center. They rode the bus together from Beaverton to PSU, and Tina loved the center.

**Carol Swanson MSW '75** has a counseling practice in Portland. Swanson volunteers for the Returning Veterans Project, which offers free counseling and other health services for returning veterans and their families.

**Roberta McEniry '76** is a consultant with Resource Global Professionals, where she assists clients with business process re-engineering. McEniry has served as a volunteer with

the PSU Foundation and Alumni Association boards as well as Rosemont School and Portland House of Umoja.

**Andy Merrifield MA '77** has been a professor of political science at Sonoma State University in Sonoma, California, for more than 20 years. Merrifield's areas of specialty are the American presidency, budgetary politics, state and local government, and political methodology.

**Randy Miller MS '77** is an honorary consulate to the Republic of Lithuania. He lives in Portland with his wife, Janet, and their four children.

**Sarah Rowley '77, MS '87** is retired after 30 years of teaching in the Portland Public School District. Rowley volunteers with Habitat for Humanity in Portland and enjoys hiking, golfing, and traveling with her husband, Garry Neil. Her

favorite memory of PSU is taking a horseback riding class and visiting the stables and racetrack at Portland Meadows.

**Wayne Wakeland PhD '77** is an associate professor in systems science at Portland State. Wakeland started as adjunct faculty in 1978. He has held managerial positions in information systems and manufacturing at local high-tech firms such as Tektronix, Photon Kinetics, Magni Systems, Epson, and Leupold & Stevens.

**Michael Wong '77** is a magician in Orange County, California, where he performs at private parties and at schools. Wong has had parts in movies such as *Independence Day*, *Rush Hour*, *Lethal Weapon 4*, *Austin Powers 3*, and *Batman Forever*. He has appeared on television in *Baywatch*, *Murder She Wrote*, *NYPD Blues*, and *Power Rangers*.

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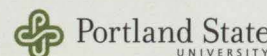
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Growing up, international ambassador **Marisa Lino '71** never considered diplomacy as a career option until a PSU professor encouraged it.



## Diplomatic assignment

Professor Frank Munk, a former employee of Czechoslovakia's last non-Communist government, saw global potential in Marisa Lino and encouraged

her to think about the Foreign Service, a branch of the U.S. Department of State. A project in which she interviewed people about current world issues for a student-run TV show piqued her interest, and the on-camera work gave her confidence to pursue the idea.

Lino became one of the first women from Portland State to serve in the U.S. diplomatic corps, and built a distinguished 30-year career with postings to Italy, Pakistan, Syria, Iraq, Tunisia, and Peru. She was named U.S. ambassador to Albania in 1996, facilitating U.S.-Albanian relations until 1999. After her Foreign Service career, she was assistant secretary of international affairs for the Department of Homeland Security.

Even in a peripatetic career, Lino's PSU ties emerged, sometimes in surprising ways. On assignment as a refugee coordinator in the U.S. embassy in Pakistan, she discovered that two of her colleagues—an Afghan-American working for the UN and an American working for Save the Children—had graduated from PSU in her class. She hadn't known them in school, but they've all been friends ever since.

## 1980-1981

**Robert Province '80** is an oil and gas negotiator and land manager for ENI Petroleum Company in Anchorage, Alaska.

**Steven Hedberg '81** is a partner in the Portland law firm of Perkins Coie. *Law and Politics Magazine* named Hedberg to its 2009 Oregon Super Lawyers Top 50 in Oregon.

**Donald Williams MPA '81** is chief operating officer for Schwabe, Williamson and Wyatt in Portland. Williams is married to **Janet Daneer Williams MPA '84**, vice president of human resources at Marylhurst University.

**Dee Thompson '84, MS '86** retired in March as director of the PSU Career Center. Thompson started at the Career Center as a student and continued working there for 29 years with the last 10 as director. In 2008 she received an award from the University for her outstanding service.

**Mark Clemons MUP '85** is an associate principal for Group Mackenzie, a design firm in Portland. Clemons is married to **Mary Weber '83, MUP '88**.



Lisa Gambee '86, MBA '95

**Lisa Gambee '86, MBA '95** is a marketing manager with Fluid Market Strategies, a marketing consulting firm based in Portland.

**Leona Mathews MBA '86** is chief executive officer of The Neurology Center

and The Headache Center of Southern California in Encinitas, California.

**Lucinda Sage-Midgorden MA '86** and her husband, Barry Midgorden, have written a children's book, *Scot-tosaurus the Little Dinosaur*.

**Julie Cieloha '87** is the chief financial officer of the M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust in Vancouver, Washington. Cieloha is also a member of the Sheriff's Office Citizen Budget Advisory Committee for Multnomah County and received a Multnomah County 2009 Citizen Involvement Award.

**Tim Hagge '88, MSW '92** is a clinical social worker and outreach specialist in the PSU Student Health and Counseling Center. Hagge is married to **Anne Hagge '83, MSW '89**, a counselor at St. Mary's Academy in Portland.

**Trina Bandelow '89** is president of Northwest Medical, Inc., a medical equipment and supply company based in Springfield, Oregon.

**Brent Burket '89** and his wife, Jennifer Thoene, who are both physicians, are living and working in Guatemala for the next three years with their four children. Through Mission Doctors Association, Burket and Thoene are working with the staff at a hospital in Santiago Atitlan.

**Patricia Butler MSW '89** has a counseling and family therapy practice in Portland. Butler volunteers with the Returning Veterans Project, which offers free counseling and other health services for returning veterans and their families in Portland.

**Takahiro Watabe MS '89** is a chief structural engineer for the Toda Corporation in Tokyo, Japan. Watabe's favorite campus memories are the PSU football games and the library.



## 1990-1999

**Antoinette Edwards '90** is diversity director of the Oregon Trail chapter of the American Red Cross in Portland. The Multnomah County Office of Citizen Involvement honored her with the 2009 Gladys McCoy Award for lifetime volunteer achievement.

**Manal Refaat Loubani MS '90** is an educational consultant in the Vice Minister's Office for Girls' Education in the Ministry of Education in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

**Blake Patsy '90** is a principal at KPFF Consulting Engineers. Patsy is also an advisory council member with First Stop Portland in the Institute of Metropolitan Studies at Portland State.

**Daniel McDonald MBA '91** is a PSU Alumni Association board member. McDonald is chair of the 2010 PSU Weekend Planning committee. He is married to **Kendal McDonald MA '02**, who is secretary of the PSU Alumni Board.

**Monica Beemer MSW '92** is the executive director of Sisters of the Road, a nonprofit organization that provides food to the homeless in Portland. Beemer was selected 2009 Extraordinary Executive Director by *Portland Monthly Magazine* as part of its annual Light a Fire Award.

**Thomas Boyd '92** is a staff photographer at *The Oregonian* newspaper in Portland. Boyd writes that the proximity of Portland State to *The Oregonian* was essential for his success as was Mike Lloyd, staffer at *The Oregonian* and PSU photo journalism instructor.

**David Ellis MPA '92** is principal archaeologist

at Willamette Cultural Resources Associates, a Portland archaeological firm.

**Joan Seely Jagodnik '92, MA '96** is the assistant director of Community College Relations at Portland State. Jagodnik wrote several articles on the history of community colleges in Oregon published in the new *Oregon Encyclopedia*.

**Jay Coalson '93** is president and CEO of Green Building Services, a building consulting firm in Portland. He is also on the advisory council of First Stop Portland in the Institute on Metropolitan Studies at Portland State.

**Lorn Hildreth '93** is president and print broker for Lucky Duck Printing in Hillsboro.

**Kelly Williams '93** is an artist who combines her PSU psychology background in children's trauma and her passion for art as a therapeutic outlet for children. Her father, **Carter Turnbull '90**, is also a PSU grad.

**Tom Clark MS '94** is the chief architect for storage software at IBM and owns four U.S. patents with eight others pending. Clark is also an active volunteer in his Tucson, Arizona, community.

**Dean Westwood '94, MSW '00** is director of the Center on Self-Determination at Oregon Health & Science University in Portland.

**Elaine Brady-Mahoney '95, MSW '98** has a social work and chemical dependency counseling practice in Portland. She also volunteers with the Returning Veterans Project, which offers free counseling and other health services for returning veterans and their families in Portland.



**Chief Justice Paul De Muniz '72** is the first Hispanic American on the Oregon Supreme Court. But he's more concerned with accountability than ethnicity.

## Bringing justice to the people

As the first person to go to college in his family, Paul De Muniz credits Portland State for giving him the chance to pursue a career in law. While Oregon's top judicial official is honored to be a forerunner, what matters most to him is to see the state judicial system more accessible, transparent, accountable, and engaged with the public.



One of the ways De Muniz tries to foster an interest in the justice system among all demographic groups is by encouraging people to be more connected to their state courts. To that end, he has worked to bring the courts to the people—literally. In 2008, the Oregon Supreme Court convened in a Klamath Falls High School gym and engaged observers in a Q-and-A discussion. The case involved 1,000 farm families and 13 water districts battling with a federal agency over water rights in the Klamath Basin.

"Courts should be engaged with the communities they serve," he says. "Ninety-five percent of all litigation takes place in state courts. The public should understand how the courts arrive at their decisions, how they operate, and how they spend their money. Because as justice goes in state courts, that's how America goes."





Meeting the unmet needs of Oregon's disadvantaged is the life work of **Dennis Keenan MSW '72**.



## Center of hope for Oregonians

Dennis Keenan started college as a philosophy major, doing "some social activism on the side." But

helping people was clearly his passion, so he switched to social work. Through PSU's program, Keenan learned how to work within institutions, not outside them, to effect positive social change. Coalition building is "the modus operandi of social work today," he says.

Following graduation, Keenan went to work for Cascade Health Care, providing care for the medically indigent. Later he worked for the Archdiocese of Portland. For the past 21 years he's been executive director of Catholic Charities of Oregon.

One of Catholic Charities' nationally recognized programs, El Program Hispano, helps low-income, Latino immigrant families achieve self-sufficiency. Catholic Charities recently added a program to provide resources to victims of human trafficking, and is currently raising \$12 million for a Center of Hope that will bring a Loaves and Fishes Center, a child care facility, and administration and other programs under one roof.

The foundation of his education is never far from Keenan's work. Catholic Charities arranges field placements for Portland State students, and two of his employees are applying to attend PSU.

**Joe Earhart '95** is a systems administrator for Miller Nash law firm in Portland.



Akiko Fillinger '95

**Akiko Fillinger '95** is an associate professor of chemistry at Ithaca College in Ithaca, New York. Fillinger became interested in chemical solar-to-electricity conversion under the guidance of PSU professor Carl Wamser.

**Bobby Balachandran MS '96** was named to the *Portland Business Journal's* 2010 Forty Under 40 list. Balachandran is founder, CEO, and president of Exterro, Inc., a Beaverton company that provides litigation software for the legal industry.

**Shelby Kardas '96** is vice president of administrative and development at the World Affairs Council of Oregon in Portland.

**Valerie Pratt '96** is an accountant for Pratt Weller and Associates, Inc., in Portland.

**Jill Stoffers '96** is the director of admissions for the Monterey Institute in Monterey, California.

**Joe Tysoe '96** is a management consultant in Portland. Since 1996, Tysoe has competed in 46 runs, marathons, triathlons, and ironman competitions.

**Christi Wuthrich '96** is owner of the Terra Del Sol Spa in northwest Portland. Wuthrich earned a master's in counseling psychology at Lewis & Clark College and worked as a therapist, school counselor, and Child Protective Service worker.

**Deborah Bensinger Janikowski '97, MS '04** is associate director in the PSU Office of Budget and Planning.

**Aubre Dickson '98** was honored by the Portland Trailblazers and the Black Parent Initiative at a February 21 game for his commitment to family and the community. Dickson is an equity investments manager at Homestead Capital in Portland.

**Nathan Spear '98**, a sales engineer for IBM in Portland, volunteers with the Big Brother program. Spear had a Big Brother when he was in middle and high school and says, "My experience was so rich that I want a young person to have that same experience."

**Kristin Kane MSW '99** is director of support services at Cascade AIDS Project in Portland.

**Max Schwartz '99** is a senior manager at Geffen Mesher and Company, a Portland accounting firm.

## 2000-2010

**Patricia Atkinson MS '00** is an instructor in economics at Clark College in Vancouver, Washington.

**Susan Balbas MST '00** is executive director and founder of the Tierra Madre Fund, a nonprofit organization for Native American women and sustainable community development based in Seattle.

**Shannon Burley '00** is marketing director for the Seattle Storm, a Women's National Basketball Association team based in Seattle.

**Anne Cohen '00, MPH '02** is a disability and health policy consultant in Mountain View, California.

**Abner Morales '00** works at Robert Half International, a



staffing firm. He is also a board member and long-time volunteer for 826 Valenica, a national program that provides writing support for children. Morales lives in Oakland, California.

**Karin Waller MS '00** is office coordinator for the PSU Department of Geography. Waller is on the board of directors for Hostelling International (Oregon).

**Sarah Adams Bracelin '01** is director of marketing and business development at Myhre Group Architects, Inc., in Portland. Bracelin comes from a long line of PSU alumni, including her father, **Doug Adams '69**, and her sisters, **Erin Adams '00**, **Mariah Adams '04**, and **Magdalen Adams '08**.

**Danny Ly '01, MPA '03** is a senior manager of governmental affairs for Astra Zeneca Pharmaceuticals in Washington, D.C.

**Thaddeus Shannon MS '01, PhD '07** is an assistant professor of theater at Western Oregon University in Monmouth. Shannon is also production manager and lighting designer for Do Jump! movement theater in Portland.

**Danielle Curran '02** is a media buyer and planner for Standard TV and Appliance in Portland.

**Margot Peralta Geagon MPA '02** is a cost/price analyst in the Office of Acquisitions and Financial Assistance for the Department of Energy and the National Renewable Energy Laboratory in Golden, Colorado. Geagon earned a PhD in finance from Walden University in 2009.

**Therese Lang '02** is a senior account manager at Coates Kokes, a public relations firm in Portland.

**Cindie McKenna MSW '02** has a social work and therapy practice in Portland. McKenna volunteers with the Returning Veterans Project, which offers free counseling and other health services for returning veterans and their families in Portland.

**Judy Redder MS '02** is manager of curriculum and reporting at Clackamas Community College in Oregon City.

**Bree Schaaf '02** placed fifth in the women's bobsled competition at the 2010 Winter Olympics in Vancouver, British Columbia. Schaaf played on the PSU Vikings volleyball team.

**Maria Bjazevich '03** is a senior project coordinator for Epiq Systems Class Action and Claims Solutions in Beaverton.

**Rod Conduragis MBA '03** is the signature client director for AT&T Business Services in Portland.

**Josh Fuhrer '03** made the *Portland Business Journal's* 2010 Forty Under 40 list. Fuhrer is a Gresham city councilor and volunteers for both Gresham and Portland organizations.

**Nicole Geils '03** is marketing manager at Alyeska Resort in Girdwood, Alaska, and owns NKG Image Productions. In February, Geils exhibited her photos at the Anchorage Convention and Visitors Bureau center.

**Imran Haider '03, MS '08** is a humanities instructor at Chemeketa Community College in Salem. Haider is also the assistant women's basketball coach of the college.

**Daniel Hill MBA '03** is the chief financial officer for Seasons Management, a senior housing management company affiliated with Viridis Asset Management in Lake Oswego.

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**Christopher Naze '03** is a fourth-grade teacher at Maplewood Elementary in Portland.

**Chip Shields MSW '03** was appointed to the Oregon Senate District 32 seat previously held by **Sen. Margaret Carter '73**.

**Ruth White MBA '03** is vice president of program development at Via Training, an e-learning company in Elkridge, Maryland.

**Greg Brown MBA '04** is vice president of loan administration at Riverview Community Bank in Klamath Falls, where he lives with his wife, **Jennie Hunter-Brown '82**, and their two children.

**Mandana Salehi '04** is a senior director of business development at Exterro, Inc., a Beaverton company that provides litigation software for the legal industry. Salehi is also in the MBA program at Marylhurst University.

**Alexis Clark Tate '04** is a water reliability 2020 public information manager for West Basin Municipal Water District in Carson, California.

**Dave Kobzina MS '05** is an admissions counselor for the PSU New Student Programs.

**Kristi Jo Lewis MS '05, MPA '05** was named to the Portland Business Journal's 2010 Forty Under 40 list. Lewis is president and CEO of Global Sistergoods, Inc., which sells fair trade clothing, accessories, home décor, and toys created by women artisans from around the world.

**Erin Hulme '06** is an Americas associate with International Business Leaders Forum, a non-profit that promotes responsible business around the world. Hulme works in New York.

**River Hwang '06** is a personal jewelry consultant at Cookie Lee Fine Fashion Jewelry in Portland.

**Cecillia Orphan '06** is national manager for the American Democracy Project with the American Association of State Colleges and Universities in Washington, D.C. Orphan writes that Byron L. Haines, professor of philosophy, was her ultimate mentor.

**Alder Phillips MPA '06** is a program and project development officer at the United States Agency for International Development. Phillips is working in Nepal.

**Sumie Togo MS '06** lives in Tokyo, where she enjoys visiting museums, attending classical music concerts, playing golf, and reading books.

**Natalee Webb MS '06** is interim assistant dean of students and senior conduct officer at Portland State. Webb's favorite PSU memories include pulling all-nighters in the library with her study buddies and the "amazing people" she met in her program with whom she is still in contact.

**Joshua Halpin MPA '07** is an account executive at the Connections Group, a candidate and public policy campaign consulting firm in Seattle.

**Katherine "Kate" Hummel MPA '07** is a classification officer with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, where she evaluates close to 3,000 posts located in Paris and elsewhere.

**Toni Pennington PhD '07** is an aquatic biologist for the surface water group at Tetra Tech in Portland.

**Drew Robinson '07, MEd '08** is an algebra teacher for the Peninsula School, a K-8 public school in North Portland.

**Johnathan Tran '07** is an associate with Sensiba San Filippo, an accounting firm in San Francisco. Tran is working

on a master's in taxation from Golden Gate University.

**Carly Bodnar '08** is an artist who creates paintings, screen-prints, photography, and cards. She lives in Portland.

**Nick Boyd '08** is a juvenile counselor at The Inn Home for Boys in Portland. One of Boyd's favorite memories of PSU is the first time PSU went to the NCAA playoffs in men's basketball. "Even though we lost, it was a huge step for PSU," says Boyd.

**Rico Delapaz '08** is a calibration and correlation officer for Siltronic Corporation, a silicon wafer manufacturer in Portland.

**Glen Esler '08** is a staff environmental chemist with AMEC Earth & Environmental in Portland. Esler recently earned credentials as a certified laboratory auditor.

**Odilia Fazoni MA '08** is a business development and cultural coach for Gatlin International, an online career training company. Fazoni works out of Dallas, Texas. She is also an instructor at Dallas Community College and enjoys running and improving her marksmanship at a shooting range.

**Amanda Newberg '08** is a seventh-grade social studies teacher in New York City. Newberg is a corps member with Teach for America, a non-profit organization that places recent college graduates in disadvantaged school systems.

**Tyler Roppe '08** is a dispatcher and lead worker for the PSU Campus Public Safety Office. Roppe's favorite memories of PSU are his tenure as a student journalist and participating in on-campus natural building projects in professor Richard Clucas's Power Game class.

**Paul Solimano MA '08** is an archeologist with Willamette

Cultural Resources Associates, a Portland archaeological firm.

**Ersun Warncke '08** is a business and economy reporter for the *Salem-News.com*. Warncke also works as an independent software designer specializing in Web-based applications, open source software, and peer-to-peer applications.

**Roy Watters MA '08** is an ethnographer for Willamette Cultural Resources Associates, a Portland archaeological firm. Watters is also an instructor at Portland State and recently conducted multi-site ethnographic research for Intel.

## In Memoriam

**Clarke Brooke, Jr.**, professor emeritus of geography, died December 4. He was 89. Dr. Brooke joined the faculty in 1954 and went on to investigate food supply problems, land use, and relevant genetic characteristics of endangered breeds of sheep. His work led to overseas field studies in Turkey, Afghanistan, Ethiopia, Tanganyika, and Europe.

**Leonard Cebula**, former business administration adjunct faculty, died February 22. He also taught at Mt. Hood Community College and retired from Bonneville Power Administration in 1987. Cebula maintained his own income tax consulting practice for 30 years.

**William T. Schantz**, professor emeritus of business administration, died April 14. He was 75. A beloved, award-winning professor, Schantz taught tax, accounting, business law, legal environment, the CPA Law Review, and other business courses for 31 years, until his retirement in 1994. He was also a member of the Oregon State Bar and in March was honored for 50 years of meritorious service. ■

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# Looking Back

## Loyal 'Sharkey' Nelson, 1913-2009

PORTLAND STATE COLLEGE MEN'S  
BASKETBALL COACH 1953 TO 1965

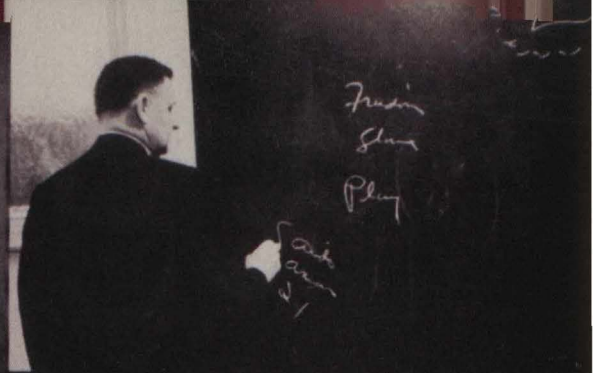
Back in February 1965, when I was *Vanguard* editor, coach Sharkey Nelson's team had an outside shot at the conference title with three games left to play. However, after a road game at Southern Oregon, coach Nelson dismissed 11 of the 12 varsity basketball players from the squad for a curfew violation. Seems almost quaint now, in this age of the spoiled brat athlete where nothing short of loaded handguns, grand theft, or near fatal beatings ever results in anything even approaching discipline.

Asked how he could dismiss basically the entire team (the only player not affected was his own son, John, who was with him after the game that evening, and who also happened to be the team's leading scorer), coach Nelson replied, "I couldn't turn my back." I wrote an editorial supporting the coach, using his quote as the title and ending with, "We are proud that he had the guts to do what he felt was right."

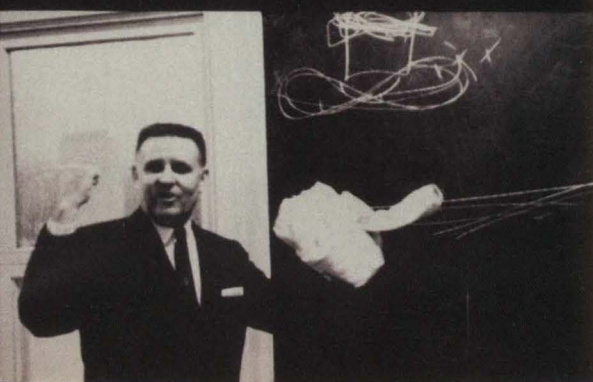
Nelson's team played the three remaining games using one varsity player and members of the JV squad, some of whom would play in a JV game earlier in the evening. There was an outpouring of student support for the team and for coach Nelson and, just as in a Hollywood movie, they finished the season with a 100 to 94 win in overtime against eventual conference champion Eastern Oregon.

That was 45 years ago and I still remember the thrill of that win.  
—Clarence Hein '65 ■

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